NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



State of California The Natural Resources Agency California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

PROJECT TITLE	Owens Valley Conservation Camp - Portable Classroom		
PROJECT LOCATION	Owens Valley Conservation Camp 2781 South Round Valley Road Bishop, CA 93514	COUNTY	Inyo
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)		
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project consists of moving a portable classroom onto the existing Conservation Camp and connecting all utilities necessary for its operation. The site is characterized by a previously graded area of approximately acre. A series of approximately 6 foundation blocks will be established to support and secure the building. These concrete blocks will require digging out an area approximately 36 x 36 inches and 24 inches deep. Water and Sewer will be supplied by connecting to existing water and sewer service at the Conservation Camp. Trenching from the existing service to the portable classroom, approximately 100 feet long, will be required to connect sewer and water. Power will be supplied from existing electrical supply and extended through existing underground conduit to a point approximately 80 feet from the portable classroom. From that point, trenching will be necessary to extend the conduit to the portable classroom. The classroom will be moved to the site via a semi tractor pulling the portable classroom on trucks attached to the structure. They will be traveling on existing paved and dirt roads to within approximately 75 feet of the intended location where it will cross previously disturbed soil to its final location. An Americans with Disability Act (ADA) compliant wheel chair ramp will be added to the exterior of the structure.

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Ħ	Statutory Exemption (state code section):			
同	Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)			
一	Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))			
百	Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))			

REASONS PROJECT IS EXEMPT

This project fits within the descriptions for a Class 3 Categorical Exemption to CEQA pertaining to new construction of small structures. The proposed building is below the 2500 square feet limit for this exemption. Consistent with this exemption, utilities necessary to support the new building will be extended from existing services and the ADA ramp is also consistent with the allowance for appurtenant structures. Field review by CAL FIRE staff confirmed that no exceptions apply which would preclude the use of a Notice of Exemption for this project. The Department has concluded that no significant environmental impact would occur to aesthetics, agriculture and forestland/timberland, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, greenhouse gas emissions, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, land use planning, mineral resources, noise, population and housing, public services, recreation, transportation/traffic, or to utilities and service systems. Documentation of the environmental review completed by the Department is kept on file at CAL FIRE's San Bernardino Unit Headquarters at 3800 North Sierra Way in San Bernardino, CA.

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